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May 15, 2003

The Honorable Board of Supervisors
County of Los Angeles
383 Kenneth Hahn Hall of Administration
500 West Temple Street
Los Angeles, CA 90012

Dear Supervisors:

**REQUEST FOR AUTHORITY TO CONTINUE OR MODIFY SERVICES AGREEMENTS AT
RANCHO LOS AMIGOS NATIONAL REHABILITATION CENTER (4th District) (3 Votes)**

IT IS RECOMMENDED THAT YOUR BOARD:

1. Delegate authority to the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to take the necessary actions to extend, on a month to month basis, contracts scheduled to expire on June 30, 2003, for the services required by Rancho Los Amigos National Rehabilitation Center (RLANRC) to maintain its operations in compliance with the orders of the District Court (see list at Attachment A). Such extension agreements shall also be amended to include the most recent Board required provisions and shall be approved by County Counsel and the Chief Administrative Office, prior to their execution. Notice of such extensions shall be provided to the Board of Supervisors.
2. Delegate authority to the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to take the necessary actions to reduce the scope of or terminate any of the agreements with the contractors listed in Attachment A as are necessary or appropriate to effectuate any service reductions or reconfigurations at RLANRC approved by your Board and permitted by the Court. The required amendments will be approved by County Counsel and the Chief Administrative Office prior to their execution, and notice of such reductions or termination shall be provided to the Board of Supervisors.
3. Delegate authority to the Director of Health Services, or his designee, to modify File Keepers Agreement No. H-210828 to store or process necessary records, if required, following review and approval of County Counsel and notification of the Board of Supervisors and the Chief Administrative Office.

PURPOSE/JUSTIFICATION OF THE RECOMMENDED ACTIONS:

As a result of the actions of the United States District Court, the County is required to continue operating RLANRC for an indefinite period of time. In order to allow the County to comply with this order in the most expeditious way, the Department of Health Services ("Department") is requesting delegated authority to extend, on a month to month basis, its current arrangements with providers of goods or services. A list of the affected agreements are attached.

Further, delegated authority to reduce or terminate certain agreements for services at RLANRC is necessary to allow the Department promptly to achieve savings which may be obtainable through the restructuring of the site or the manner in which care is rendered.

The storage site of certain medical records at RLANRC is not satisfactory; therefore, authority is sought to amend the existing agreement with File Keepers to provide an alternate place to maintain these records.

FISCAL IMPACT/FINANCING:

The current proposed budget includes certain funding designated for the purchase of indigent care services. These amounts can be redirected to pay for the extended contracts for at least a period of time in order to comply with the Court's order to maintain services at RLANRC. The Department is expecting to request supplemental funding following its review of available options in light of the Court's action.

FACTS AND PROVISIONS/LEGAL REQUIREMENTS:

Given the recent court order requiring the County to continue the provision of services at RLANRC, the Department will not have the ability to assure the closure by June 30, 2003, although it might have the ability to close the facility later in the fiscal year. To assure compliance with the Court order, the Department needs to extend certain existing agreements which are scheduled to expire on June 30, 2003. Because the date when RLANRC may be permitted to close is uncertain, it is prudent to have the extensions run from month to month, so that they will not continue any longer than necessary.

Additionally, the County may determine it prudent to restructure the site and/or manner in which services presently at RLANRC are provided to allow the County to achieve some cost savings, while assuring continued access to services. This may require the Department to reduce or terminate existing contracts. Delegated authority is being sought to permit the Department to take such allowable steps promptly, in order to maximize cost savings or achieve efficiencies.

Any amendments will be reviewed and approved by County Counsel and CAO prior to execution. The Board of Supervisors will be given notice as well.

RLANRC currently stores records on the south portion of its campus, which is not proving satisfactory. The County has an agreement with File Keepers, a record retention and storage firm, to store records from County facilities. The Department may need to expand both the scope and the financial commitment under the contract to cover records from RLANRC.

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CONTRACTING PROCESS:

Not applicable.

IMPACT ON CURRENT SERVICES (OR PROJECTS):

The requested actions will allow the Department to continue to provide the level of care required by the United States District Court, while achieving operating efficiencies.

When approved, this Department requires three signed copies of the Board's action.

Respectfully submitted,

Thomas L. Garthwaite, M.D.
Director and Chief Medical Officer

TLG:ds

Attachment

c: Chief Administrative Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors

ATTACHMENT A

I. RANCHO CONTRACTS REQUIRING BOARD DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO EXTEND SERVICES BEYOND 6/30/03

CATEGORY	CONTRACTOR	CONTRACT #	EXPIRATION DATE
MRI	InSight Health Services	H200969-3	6/30/03
Laundry	Angelica	H210097-0	6/30/03 - have delegated authority to extend to 11/30/03
Landscape (Prop A)	Environmental Maintenance Co	70828-1	6/30/03
Dietary (Prop A)	Sodexo	68444-1	6/30/03
Orthotics	LAREI	H209965-1	6/30/03
Med Transcription (Prop A)	MedText, Inc.	72144-0	6/30/03 - have delegated authority to extend to 12/31/03

II. DHS CONTRACTS REQUIRING BOARD DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO MODIFY SERVICES TO RANCHO

CATEGORY	CONTRACTOR	CONTRACT #	EXPIRATION DATE
Child Care (currently DHS managed and financially supported, but services all county departments)	Children's Discovery Centers	H211744-0	9/30/05
Overflow Coding	ARTS	H205965-4	2/28/04
Organ Donation	So Cal Organ Procurement Center (no net county cost)	H210806-0	6/30/04
Reddinet	Hospital Assoc. So. Calif.	H-207963	6/30/05
Temp CRNA	Anesthetists of LA, Inc.	H211728-0	9/30/05
Temp CRNA	United Anesthesia	H211818-0	9/30/05

CATEGORY	CONTRACTOR	CONTRACT #	EXPIRATION DATE
Temp Nursing Pers	Haemostat	H212070-0	12/31/05
Pharm Reverse Distr	EXP Pharmaceutical Waste Mgmt, Inc.	H212058-0	6/30/06
Lithotripsy	USC University Hospital	H207954-0	6/30/06
Professional Review Organization	California Medical Review	H203911-0	NONE
Managed Care	Blue Cross of California	H212817-0	6/30/05
Managed Care	Care First	H213078	2/28/07
Managed Care	Molina Medical Centers	H205093-0	NONE
Managed Care	Universal Care	H210040-0	NONE
PPG Affiliation	Arrowhead aka San Bernardino Med Ctr	H203940-0	NONE
PPG Affiliation	DCH Foundation Hospitals	H205915-0	NONE
PPG Affiliation	Pacific Hospital of Long Beach	H208539-0	NONE
PPG Affiliation	UC Irvine	H201065-0	NONE
PPG Affiliation	University of Southern California	H208629-0	NONE
PPG/Osteopath Affil	Western University of Health Sciences	H202181-1	NONE
Nursing Affiliation	Azusa Pacific University	H204158-0	NONE
Nursing Affiliation	Biola University	H200987-1	NONE
Nursing Affiliation	California State University, LA	62817-2	NONE
Nursing Affiliation	Cerritos Community College Dist	H202988-0	NONE
Nursing Affiliation	Los Angeles Community College Dist	H204281-0	NONE
Nursing Affiliation	Mount San Antonio Community College	H201598-1	NONE
Nursing Affiliation	Rio Hondo Community College Dist	H202827-0	NONE

CATEGORY	CONTRACTOR	CONTRACT #	EXPIRATION DATE
PT Affiliation	Chapman University	H202516-1	NONE
PT Affiliation	University of Southern California	H202880-0	NONE
Multiple Affiliation	Los Angeles Unified School Dist	H209848-0	NONE
Billing	Health Management Systems (Accordis)	H210553-1	6/30/06
Billing	Computer Credit Inc.	H212668-0	6/30/03 (separate action - recommend thru 6/30/06)
Billing	Compspec	H208510-2	6/30/04
Billing	Health Advocates	H208476-2	6/30/04
Turnkey Hospital Information System	QuadraMed (Affinity)	56649	12/31/03
Collection Letter	USCB	H210634	6/30/03 (separate action - recommend thru 6/30/06)
Delinquent Account Collections	USCB	H210552	6/30/06
Third Party Identification	USCB	H212383	12/31/07
Workers' Comp	So Cal Med Legal	H209854-1	6/30/05
Workers' Comp	Boehm and Associates	H209855-1	6/30/05
Fiscal Mgmt	HBO & Co	H204378-3	6/30/05
Consultant	Calif Reimbursement Enterprises	H207263-2	6/30/06
Equip Maintenance	Merry X-Ray	H208588-2	3/31/04
Equip Maintenance	GE Medical Systems (radiology)	H209794-2	6/30/04
Equip Maintenance	Philips Medical Systems (radiology)	H209795-2	6/30/04
Equip Maintenance	McBain Instr. (lab)	H207961-0	12/31/04

CATEGORY	CONTRACTOR	CONTRACT #	EXPIRATION DATE
Equip Maintenance	American Bio-Medical Svs (biomed)	H207976-0	12/31/04
Equip Maintenance	Mediq/PRN Life Support (biomed)	H207975-0	12/31/04
Equip Maintenance	Cepa (lab)	H207977-0	12/31/04
Equip Maintenance	Superior Scientific (lab)	H207974-0	12/31/04
Equip Maintenance	Masterplan (biomed)	TBD	12/31/04
Equip Maintenance	Philips Medical Systems (nuclear med)	H209796-3	6/30/05

III. RANCHO CONTRACTS REQUIRING BOARD DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO MODIFY SERVICES

CATEGORY	CONTRACTOR	CONTRACT #	EXPIRATION DATE
Specialty Med Svs	Samuel Rosenfeld, MD	H207731-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Paul Bohman, DDS	H207826-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Sohail Saeed, MD	H207832-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Jack E. Sinder, MD	H213034-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Donna M. Barras, MD	H213026-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Gary Phipps, MD	H213029-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Geoffrey Miller, MD	H213030-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Moshin Ali, MD	H213055-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Mozhgan Ardalan, MD	H213056-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Owen E. Heninger, MD	H213057-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	USC Surgeons, Inc.	H213063-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Whittier Surgical Associates	H213064-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	John P. Stein, MD	H213035-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Lori K. Malinbaum, DDS	H213040-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Mark Hoffer, MD	H213041-0	6/30/04

CATEGORY	CONTRACTOR	CONTRACT #	EXPIRATION DATE
Specialty Med Svs	Mary Murakawa, DDS	H213042-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Matthew D. Dunn, MD	H213043-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Karen D. Altman, MD	H213036-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Kevin K. Shamlou, MD	H213037-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Leslie K. Shokes, MD	H213039-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Stephen L. Rothman, MD	H213062-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	David Ginsberg, MD	H213024-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Daniel Y. Shin, MD	H213023-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Bertram F. Felsher, MD	H213025-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Anjana V. Kamdar, MD	H213054-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Eunice Y. Im, DDS	H213028-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	William A. Curtis, MD	H213065-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Eric T. Ikeda, OD	H213183-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Allen T. Chein, DDS	H213182-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Kok W. Lee, MD	H213186-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Dong-Mi Ann Surh, MD	H213304-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Guo-Long Hung, MD	H213276-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Azizullah Ansari, MD	H213323-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Robert M. Zeit, MD	H213447-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Tra Le, DDS	H213449-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Vance Eberly, MD	H207514-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Michael Macalalad, DDS	H207608-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	USC Radiology Associates	H212721-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Anna Milstein, MD	73062-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Douglas Garland, MD	H213027-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Hugh Kopel, DDS	H212958-0	6/30/04
Specialty Med Svs	Sanjay Deshmukh, MD	H213060-0	6/30/04

